(c) what is the approximate sale price of the shares which are being disinvested;

(d) what is the broad assumption on the basis of which the sale price has been fixed; and

(e) whether Government propose to have another round of disinvestment, if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI) : (a) to (e) The names and sale prices of the shares of PSUs disinvested in the 7th round in October 1994 are as per statement (*See* below). The reserve prices of shares were fixed on the recommendations of two merchant bankers *i.e.,* ICICI and IDBI who would have taken into account a number of factors like market conditions the past and the future projected performance of PSU, conditions in the particular industry EPS, PE ratio etc., while recommending reserve prices. Another round of disinvestment is likely later this year.

Statement

Details of PSUs Shares Disinvested in the 7th Round in October 1994

Name of Company	Reserve Price share (Rs.)
Container Corpn. of India .	60
Indian Oil Corporation .	675
Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Ltd.	216
National Fertilizers Ltd. .	35
Oil & Natural Gas Corporation	1,200
Steel Authority of India .	58
Shipping Corpn. of India .	70

Revival of Weighbird India Ltd.

2624. SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE : SHRIMATI SARALA MAHESHWARI :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) the financial involvement envisaged by the operating agency for revival of Weighbird India Ltd. excluding the statutory liability which is other-wise to be paid even if the unit is closed;

(b) whether the Company had developed an electronic load cell for weighbridge of 80 tons capacity and if so, whether the market potential of the same has been studied;

(c) whether the operating agency or Government have evaluated the replacement cost and opportunity cost before taking decision on its revival scheme; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SMT. KRISHNA SAHI) : (a) The Operation Agency attempted to prepare a viability report of Weighbird India Ltd. under four scenarios and the financial involvement excluding statutory liabilities are as under :—

Scenario (a)—Rs. 137 lakh.
Scenario (b)—Rs. 197.6 lakh.
Scenario (c)—Rs. 218.5 lakh.
Scenario (d)—Rs. 325.64 lakh.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d) As the Company has not been considered viable in any of the aforesaid scenarios and the Company doesn't operate in any strategic area, the consideration of replacement cost etc. has not been central to OA's analysis.

Revival of Cycle Corporation of India

2625. SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Chairman/Managing Director of the Cycle Corporation of India Ltd., in a letter dated 24th August, 1993 had informed all the unions/associations that Government of India would reimburse suitably the amount of Rs. 28 crores required for revival of the company on certain conditions;

(b) whether in the same letter these conditions were spelt out;

(c) whether the concurrence to the proposals made by the Chairman was conveyed to the Joint Secretary, Ministry of Industry on 17th August, 1993 by Chairman himself and the Jt. Secretary had desired the same proposal to be sent in writing by the unions and associations;

(d) the reasons for which Government have suddenly decided to close this Company without discussing the proposals spelt out by the Chairman with the Trade Unions and Associations; and